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SUBJECT: ECUADOR DEMARCHE RESPONSE: KOSOVO RECOGNITION

REF: A. STATE 63731
[1](#)B. STATE 69691
[1](#)C. QUITO 52
[1](#)D. QUITO 395

[1](#)1. (SBU) Poloff delivered points (Refs A and B) to Director General of Multilateral Affairs Lourdes Puma on August 8. Puma said that the GOE had not changed its policy (Refs C and D) that it will not publicly declare a position either for or against Kosovo's independence. However, she added that the GOE considers it important to recognize the rights of both Serbia and the "province of Kosovo."
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